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«HouseholdMembers» «Address1» «Address2»



Dear «HouseholdMembers»,

Homes Victoria is reaching out to you with an update on the progress of the high-rise redevelopment program as part of the Big Housing Build.

Your building was announced as part of the redevelopment program and relocations have been underway since late 2023.

What was announced today?

Today, we informed renters in **259 Malvern Road, South Yarra** and **139 Highett Street, Richmond** that their relocation planning will begin soon and is due to be complete by February 2026.

Flemington and North Melbourne relocations due for completion September 2025

The relocation program for the following buildings (where you currently live) is underway and due to be completed by September 2025:

- 120 Racecourse Road, Flemington
- 12 Holland Court, Flemington
- 33 Alfred Street, North Melbourne

Many people have already moved to new homes or are in the process of moving.

What this means for you

If you have already completed your housing application, you don't need to do anything more.

You will have been in regular contact with our relocation team. If you have any questions after reading this letter, please reach out to your relocations officer.

If you have <u>not</u> completed a housing application, we encourage you to talk to us.

This is so we can support you to move into a home that is suitable for you. Completing your relocation paperwork will help us find a home for you that meets your needs.

We understand that moving is a big change, and we are here to support you every step of the way. You are welcome to bring a support person to your relocation appointments. This could be:

- A friend or family member
- A representative from either the Victorian Public Tenants Association or Tenants Victoria
- Legal representation including community legal services or Victorian Aboriginal Legal Service.

We will arrange an interpreter if you would like one.



Your housing options

You may still have the option to move to the new housing in Victoria Street, Flemington, and Abbotsford Street, North Melbourne. These homes are close by, so you could stay connected to your neighbourhood and support networks.

The new homes offer features like secure entry, balconies, private laundries, air-conditioning and double glazing to keep you comfortable year-round. If you're interested in exploring this option, our relocations team can arrange for you to see these homes. This can help you decide if it's a good fit for your household.

Renter protections and staying informed

We want to remind you of the support available to you during this time:

Planning ahead: If you haven't already, we encourage you to finish planning and complete your housing application so we can support you to move into a home that is suitable for you.

Staying close: We're building new homes close to your current neighbourhood and we will work with you to offer you a home that addresses your needs.

Tailored support: The location of your new home will be based on your needs. We will arrange and pay for the removalist, and we will dispose of any items you don't want to move to your new home

Staying connected: We will keep you informed and involved in the planning for the redeveloped homes and provide regular updates on the changes in your neighbourhood, especially if you plan to return.

Coming back: The redevelopment will take between 6 and 8 years. You have the right to return to your current neighbourhood when the redevelopment is complete based on your ongoing eligibility, needs and suitability of homes. You can also choose to stay in the home you've moved to if that suits you better, at the time.

Stay connected

You can visit bighousingbuild.homes.vic.gov.au for information about the redevelopment and relocation process, including in your language. You can stay connected by signing up for regular updates and alerts.

The new buildings under construction at Abbotsford Street, North Melbourne, will deliver well designed, safe, secure and modern social housing. This may be one of your relocation options.

Many people have already moved into the new Victoria Street homes. This may be one of your relocation options.

Homes Victoria is committed to making your relocation as smooth as possible, and we're here to help you. Please reach out to our team if you have any questions or need support.

Warm regards

Dannii de Kretser
Interim CEO, Homes Victoria





Relocation options: (Left) New buildings under construction at Abbotsford Street, North Melbourne, will deliver modern social housing. (Right) Many people have already moved into the new Victoria Street homes. These homes may form part of your relocation options.

